

Tustin Area Republican Women Federated

February 2024 Newsletter



President's Report

Dear TARWF Members,

It is **GO TIME** for all of us to **VOTE** and to encourage our friends and family to vote **NOW**. Everyone is encouraged to turn in their ballot as soon as possible. By getting your ballot turned in early you will avoid much of the mail, phone calls and other unwanted attention that comes during election season. Once your ballot is counted, you will get off these contact lists. Instead, resources will be focused on those who have not voted.

TARWF is being represented at the Winter CFRW Conference by several of our members. We look forward to "Engaging in Politics" at the Atrium Hotel in Irvine, February 16 & 17 with CFRW leadership and Club leaders from across the State of California. After the conference we will share with you the CFRW strategy for 2024/2025 and fresh ideas presented to us.

TARWF will be featuring a candidate forum at the February 23 rd General Meeting. This is your chance to hear first-hand what local candidates have to say, you can ask your questions and get answers. You are welcome to bring your ballot, complete it and have it "harvested" for delivery to the OC Registrar of Voter's office by one of our TARWF officers.

Your TARWF 2024 Roster will be available for pick up at the February meeting. If your friend or neighbor is not able to attend, please consider picking up theirs and delivering it to them.

We look forward to seeing you on February 23 rd at our General Meeting.

Sheryl Franke TARWF President



General Meeting and Luncheon



Local Candidates Forum

Location • The Elks Lodge #794 1751 S. Elk Lane, Santa Ana, CA 92705 714-547-7794

> Doors open for Check-in at 10:00 AM Meeting 11:00 am – 1:00 pm

Members & Associate Members \$40.00 • Guests \$45.00 We accept cash, check or charge Checks payable to TARWF

RSVP by February 19th to: RepublicanWomenFederated@gmail.com

When making your reservation, please indicate any special meal requests due to dietary restrictions.



Program Report



Oh my gosh, what an interesting turn of events! So many twists and turns in the media coverage of our sitting President, the reporting of it is a pretzel knot of information. It would seem that the media just figured out what we knew all along, that our current Commander in Chief, has some level of dementia and could be (gasp?) unfit for the office! Based on his own Justice Department report, he cannot recall enough to be prosecuted for illegally retaining and storing documents from when he served as Vice President. The charges, very similar to the charges that have been leveled against President Trump, albeit some very slight legal differences. The conundrum now is if our current President is unfit to be charged with crimes that the previous President allegedly committed, then how is he fit to fulfill the duties of the office of the Presidency?

So, what will be done? Will Biden step aside and his Vice President fulfill his term and run for the next term? Unlikely as her own Party hates her as much as Republicans and the voting public does. Will Robert F Kennedy Jr become the darling of the Democrats, having already been dismissed by them? Unlikely he can get all the under

































30 crowd that is supporting him to turn out to vote and it is really unclear which party his third-party candidacy will hurt more. (Personally, I just don't think anyone will be able to stand that quivering voice for more than a couple minutes at a time). Or will Michele Obama be brought in to save the Party? Unlikely, she obviously hated spending time in Washington during her time as first lady and this time she would have to wear business suits. Newsome? Let the poop maps and pictures of homeless encampments do the talking. All conjecture, I just don't know. But I do believe I can see Hilary on the sidelines, jumping up and down, yelling "pick me, pick me".

You all should have received your ballot and other voting materials by now. If you have not, please report that to the Registrars office. Our Republican party leadership has asked us again to vote as early as possible. This will help the campaigns to conserve resources, marking you off the list. That way they only continue to contact those who are yet to vote and are at risk of not voting. I suggest that you bring your ballot to our meeting on the 23^{rd} and if you feel comfortable completing it then, I will take it around the corner directly to the Registrars office and turn it in. Or we can arrange a little caravan to that office and vote in person if you like. I do not recommend the mail and still am not big on those collection drop boxes.

I'm looking forward to seeing you all on the 23 rd when we will be hosting a candidates' forum. You will see some familiar faces as well as some new ones running for positions here in our districts. Please bring your thoughtful questions for the candidates, and remember a question begins with who, what when where and how.

Linda Barcelona, 1st VP, Programs, Tustin Area Republican Women Federated.



Fundraising Report

Love is in the air, it's February!

We are off to a great start in 2024! Our second Tuesday of the month Happy Hour, held at the black Angus restaurant did not lose any momentum over the holidays. We look forward to seeing you there on February 13th any time after 3:30 for fun, prizes and friend making.

Tuesday, February 13th, 2024 3:30PM

BLACK ANGUS STEAKHOUSE 1350 No. Tustin Ave. Santa Ana, CA 92705







RSVP APPRECIATED tustinarearwf@gmail or call 888.845.8279



The launch of our BUSINESS SPOTLIGHT program that allows us to place your business card in the newsletter for \$100.00 for the entire year, is going very well. Doing business with friends just makes sense! Sign up now.



Per your request, we will continue to have gift cards as part of our monthly fundraising opportunity drawings. If there is a particular store or restaurant you'd like to see included, just let me know.





Coming up on March 16th we are having our first ever QUARTERMANIA at Spoons Bar and Grill. There is a flyer at the end of the Newsletter with complete details. The tickets are already going fast so please plan to come and bring a friend. Remember, we fundraise with a purpose and can only be successful with your participation.

As always if you have any suggestions about fundraising... I'm all ears!



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Bozena Kloda-Urbanski, Irvine, CA; Cathy Minicola, Tustin, CA; Debbie Kamm, Irvine, CA; Tricia Bailey, North Tustin, CA. Please reach out to our newest members and connect to reach our ideals for the future.

As a reminder, rosters will be available by the February meeting, providing you with an updated list of fellow members and their contact information.

I want to express my gratitude to each and every one of you for your commitment to TARWF. Together, we are a formidable force for conservative values and positive change. Let's seize this moment and make our voices heard in the upcoming elections and beyond.

Warm Regards, Gayle Carter, Co-Membership Chair Linette Johnston, Co-Membership Chair Gretchen Whisler, Membership Secretary

City of Tustin History



Donna Peery, Office Manager of the **Tustin Historical Society** contributes articles for our newsletter regarding Tustin history and Tustin armed forces service personnel.





One of Tustin's most recognizable figures in the early 1900's was Oliver Twist Paine Daugherty, although many knew him simply as "Oliver". Oliver was the son of a white Irish born landowner and one of his slaves in Mississippi, on a plantation owned by Mr. Shaw. His exact date of birth is unknown. The family shared that he wasn't even sure of his birthname, but he took his

name after hearing the Dickens story of Oliver Twist being read aloud to his master's family.

The family story said that Oliver was given to Mr. Shaw's daughter, Mary Eliza Shaw as part of her wedding dowry to Dr. James Robert Paine in 1845. He was the family cook, servant and children's nursemaid. Oliver was particularly fond of Dr. and Mrs. Paine's daughter, Mary Ella, and was devoted to her, even making certain to escort her to school and keep her safe during the Civil War. They were almost contemporary's and Oliver took Mary Ella's date of birth, 30 July 1851 as his own.

At the end of the Civil War, the Paine slaves were given their freedom, but many, including Oliver chose to remain. Mary Ella had married a Confederate war hero, Orlando Crozier, and Oliver stayed with Dr. and Mrs. Paine and their son Robert.

Dr. and Mrs. Paine came to California in 1875 and farmed muscat grapes for raisins on their 10 acres. When Mary Ella's husband died, leaving her with a two-year old son and infant daughter, she also decided to move to California to be with her parents. Oliver was once again helping Mary Ella and caring for her children. Mary Ella remarried to

William H. Phillips and had three more children.

Once in Tustin, Oliver worked for many of Tustin's prominent families, Sam Preble, P.T. Adams, James Rice, H.K. Snow and Dr. Medlock, head of the Orange County Medical Association and famed actress Madame Helena Modjeska. He was still devoted to Mary Ella and her husband Will Phillips and called them "the Landlady and the Boss", appearing whenever they needed him. He was present at the birth of Mary Ella's granddaughter, Ethel Thompson, and in fact was present at the birth of four generations of Shaw decedents.

The granddaughter of Mary Ella Paine described Oliver as a small man, with rounded cheeks, a twinkle in his eye. He was jovial, loved children and had only kindness in his soul. Oliver passed away on February 2, 1926.

Note: I received a call from the fifth great-grandson of Dr. James and Mary Eliza Shaw Paine asking if I would photograph their graves in the family plot. He said that Oliver was buried there as well. Upon visiting their graves, there didn't appear to be a headstone for Oliver. I was able to find an older photo that clearly showed Oliver's grave with a flat headstone, matching the others in the Paine family plot. I returned to Santa Ana Cemetery and estimating where the headstone would be, was able to unearth it using a small trowel. His final resting place is now visible.





Ralph Peter Plumb Ensign United States Navy USS Neosho Born 21 July 1916 Died 7 May 1942 Coral Sea

Ralph Peter Plumb was born 21 July 1916 in Tustin, California, the oldest son of Hugh J Plumb and Frances Adams Plumb. Hugh Plumb arrived in Tustin in 1906 and Frances Adams was born in Tustin in 1888.

The family was one of Tustin's well known families, Hugh Plumb was the Orange County Tax Assessor and Frankie, as his mother was called, was one of Tustin's first settlers, the daughter of Confederate soldier P.T. Adams. She was involved in many philanthropic organizations such as the Ebell Club, the PEO Sisterhood and the Assistance League.

Peter, as he was known in Tustin elementary and at Tustin High, could be described as the All-American boy. He was an athlete, participating in Football, Basketball, Track and Swimming. Although described as shy, he was an officer in the Drama Club, Choir, a Broadcaster, and member of the Spanish Club.

After graduating from Tustin High in 1934, Peter attended Santa Ana College and received his Bachelor of Science degree from the University of California, Berkley, where he majored in Agriculture.

He joined the United States Naval Reserve in 1939 receiving his military training at Northwestern University and began active duty in March 1941. He was assigned to the supply ship, the USS Neosho.

The USS Neosho participated in raids on Leyte and the Salomon Islands. On May 7,

1942 at the Battle of Coral Sea, the Neosho was mistaken as an aircraft carrier and attacked by Japanese bombers. The Neosho was directly hit seven times, including by a suicide dive bomber. More than two-thirds of the crew were killed, including Ensign Ralph Peter Plumb. He was 25 years old and Tustin's first soldier to die during War.

Ensign Plumb is the recipient of the Asiatic-Pacific Ribbon with three Battle Stars, the American Theater Ribbon, and the pre-Pearl Harbor Ribbon. His body was buried at sea with the sinking of the USS Neosho.



TARWF member Kelly Felton OCGOP January Volunteer of the Month



Kelly Felton awarded Volunteer of the Month for her efforts to reregister voters in Tustin



Why good people do not run for public office Larry Elder

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During a campaign stop in Iowa, a man holding an item walked up to

Florida Gov. Ron DeSantis. The man sarcastically said, "Gov. DeSantis, I want to present to you this participation trophy. Now you're probably not going to win the election, right. But we're proud of you for trying." As the DeSantis security team pulled the prankster away, he shouted, "He's special. He's unique and he's our little snowflake." It turns out the campaign crasher co-hosts a comedy show about politics. According to the show's Wikipedia page, "Their primary focus is infiltrating conservative rallies and campaign evens to interact with, interview and troll politicians and their supporters."

This sort of thing demonstrates why good people, whether conservative or liberal, Democrat or Republican, refuse to run for office. It requires no real skill to mock a political candidate. But try to become one.

It is hard. It is grueling. It is physically, emotionally and spiritually taxing. I know. With no experience running for office, I took time from my radio and TV career to run for governor of California in 2021, and then to run for president of the United States for 2024. A typical day involved several meetand-greets; print, radio and TV interviews; a fundraiser rally or two or three; and most difficult of all, a couple of hours were set aside to ask people for money, in person or by phone.

As for the meet-and-greets, many in the same day, the supporters and prospective supporters expect a vibrant, energetic, upbeat candidate, no matter how dog-tired you are.

If you are conservative, and since only 3% of journalists are Republican, expect unfair treatment, biased coverage and to have your words taken out of context or completely distorted. The closer you get to winning, the more the media focuses on accusations against you, however baseless.

Whether running as a Democrat or Republican, some 40% of the electorate will dislike you — and not just because of your policies, which you would expect, but because they dislike you personally. Run as a conservative Republican, the personal disdain becomes more intense. A 2018 Axios poll found that 61% of Democrats see Republicans as "racist/sexist/bigoted" versus 31% of Republicans who feel the same way about Democrats. A 2019 Quinnipiac poll found that half of U.S. voters consider Donald Trump "racist." A Washington Post poll found a whopping 83% of blacks consider him "racist." CNN's then-host Don Lemon said, "And anyone who ... is supporting him is complicit in their racism, as well."

Assuming you're not financially flush, and you've put your career, job or work on hold, you lose money. Many voters think personal expenses, whether mortgage, rent, college tuition, car insurance, etc., are paid for out of campaign funds. There is a term for that — stealing.

Voters and the media expect a candidate running for a national office to be knowledgeable about a range of issues, state, national and international. This includes, but is not limited to: gas prices; inflation; the budget; taxes; spending; the borders; crime; education; health care; immigration; Ukraine; China; Taiwan; Russia; Iran; Israel; Hamas; the Houthis; race relations; abortion; trade; the Jan. 6 "insurrection"; climate change; social security; Medicare; Medicaid; homelessness; the First Amendment; the Second Amendment; the Fourth Amendment; the Fifth Amendment; the 14th

Amendment; whether the 2020 election was "stolen"; whether we have a two-tiered system of justice and many others. The candidate, while campaigning, must stay on top of current events and comment on the latest news.

And in the end, one person wins. Everybody else loses.

I endorse Trump for president. But DeSantis is a former House member and a successful governor. He is decorated Navy vet who served in a war zone and, among other commendations, earned a Bronze Star. So, how about a little respect?

As for the guy who tried to hand out the participation trophy, it appears he has not run for so much as poop inspector for San Francisco and did not volunteer for military service. Perhaps Lieutenant Commander DeSantis should have accepted the trophy — and given the jerk a pacifier.

Larry Elder is a bestselling author and nationally syndicated radio talk-show host. To find out more about Larry Elder, or become an "Elderado," visit www.LarryElder.com. Follow Larry on Twitter @larryelder.

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TARWF 2024 Meeting Dates

Board of Directors and Committee Chair Meetings

Meetings begin at 10am at the Tustin Historical Society Museum, located at 395 El Camino Real, Tustin. Meeting dates are on the Fridays listed below.

February 16 (3:30pm at the Atrium Hotel in Irvine)

March 22
April 19
May 24
September 20
October 18
November 15
December 6 (if needed)

TARWF General Meetings

TARWF General Meetings will take place at the Santa Ana Elks Lodge located at 1751 S Elks Lane, Santa Ana. Meetings are on Fridays and begin at 11am. Below is the schedule of meeting dates.

February 23

March 29 April 26 May 31 September 27 October 25 December 13



Conservative Political Radio Talk Shows



Monday - Friday

- 12:00 AM 3:00 AM -
- Red Eye Radio
- 3:00 AM 4:00 AM America in the Morning
- 4:00 AM 6:00 AM -
- KTLA Morning News
- 6:00 AM 9:00 AM **Armstrong & Getty**
- 9:00 AM 12:00 PM -
- Dan Bongino
- 12:00 PM 3:00 PM -
- John Phillips
- 3:00 PM 5:00 PM -
- The Ben Shapiro Show
- 5:00 PM 6:00 PM -
- Leo Terrell 2.0 Live at Five
- 6:00 PM 7:00 PM -
- Mottek On Money
- 7:00 PM 8:00 PM -
- Special Programming
- 8:00 PM 9:00 PM
- The Howard Jarvis Radio Show
- 9:00 PM 10:00 PM
- Michael Knowles
- 10:00 PM 3:00 AM -
- Red Eye Radio

Patriot AM 1150

Glenn Beck
Mon-Fri 6am to 9am
Clay Travis and Buck Sexton
EIB Network
Mon-Fri 9am to 12 noon
Sean Hannity
Mon-Fri 12 noon to 3pm

Jesse Kelly Show Mon-Fri 6pm-9pm

KRLA AM 870

The Morning Answer
Mon-Fri 6am to 9am
Dennis Prager
Mon-Fri 9am to 12 noon
Sebastian Gorka
Mon-Fri 12 noon to 3pm
Mark Levin
Mon-Fri 3pm to 6pm
Jay Seculow

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Mon-Fri 6pm to 7pm

The Officer Tatum Show

Mon-Fri 7pm to 10pm

Charlie Kirk

Mon-Fri 10pm to midnight

SiriusXM Patriot

Channel 125 **Mark Levin** Mon-Fri 3:00pm to 6:00pm

New Website for Donald Trump 45office.com

Mike Lindell's new website FRANKSPEECH.COM



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